

U.S. pulls rights motion

GENEVA, March 7 (AFP) --- The United States today called off its offensive against the Soviet Union at the United Nations Human Rights Commission. But prior to withdrawing a proposal to seek information from Soviet withdrawing a proposal to seek information from Soviet authorities on the fate of several well-known Soviet ha-man rights activists, the U.S. vigorously defended the right to intervene on behalf of dissidents the world over without compromising detente. The United States, said its delegate, agreed to withdraw the proposal after the commission scheduled three working sessions next week on the question of dissidents in the Soviet Union -- a topic never before taken up by the U.N. body.

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Smith forms war ministry

SALISBURY, March 7 (R). — Prime Minister Ian Smith today set up a new ministry of combined operations to direct the fight against intensified black nationalist guerrilla attacks. A government statement said the Transport and Power Minister in the white minority government, Mr. Roger Hawkins, 61, will hold the new portfolio. He will also be Deputy Chairman, under Mr. Smith himself. of a war council which takes the final decisions on strategy in the campaign against the guerrillas. Informed sources said the ministers of defence, iaw and order and internal affairs will be responsible on war matters to Mr. Hawkins. The sources also expect Mr. Smith to appoint a new supreme military commander scon.

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A CONTRACT OF A **Relief** aid flows into Romania

JENEVA, March 7 (R). - A in the second se Ani in Romania.

One of the first cargoes of and applies left Vicenza, northem the taly, aboard a NATO military A NATO spokesman aid the consignment of antiviolics was donated by the Souhern European Tactical Air

ountry although its participa-ion in the alliance generally egarded as nominal.

About 2,500 blankets and 700 undles of clothing were also in the way to communist Ro-mania from the Greek Ortho-

in the Viceroy, Saturday made a lonation of JD 10,000 to Ronania's ambassador for the vileard from the ambassador de--- ails of the disaster and offered. is baartfeit sympathy, as well . s that of the Jordanian goverment and people, to the Rohanian government and peo-: le,

. In another meeting in Am-- ating Foreign finister Adnan Abu Odeh told ae Romanian ambassador that Line Jordanian government will rrovide medical assistance in ind to the Romanian people. - The largest consignment of wid has so far been promised

israel is sending tomorrow a hipment of bandages, diatetic ods and sterilised fluids worth



SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS -- His Majesty King Hussein, with Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Chief of the Royal Court Sherif Abdul Hamid Sharaf sitting behind him, are seen during meetings of the Afro-Arab summit in Cairo Monday. Unidentified African participants are in the foreground.

Rabin meets Carter, other U.S. officials during Washington visit

WASHINGTON, March 7 (Agen-cies). — American President Jimmy Carter and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin met for 90 minutes here today seeking common ground on which Middle East peace negotiations

could resume. Welcoming Mr. Rabin, who arrived here Sunday on a three-day visit, Mr. Carter said Israel should be guaranteed "defensible borders that will give a sen-se of security for this young country in the future." Mr. Ra-

bin stressed what he callad Is-

rael's will to work for Middle

East peace and well being, "a

the first time a U.S. president had spoken of Israel's need for 'defensible borders".

Israel bas used the phrase since the 1967 Middle East war, in demanding that any frontiers finally agreed with the Arabs conform with what it regards as its defence needs, a demand implicitly accepted in Washing-

State Department officials were unable to say at once whether Mr. Carter's use of the phrase represented any change in U.S. Middle East policy. Both Mr. Carter and Mr. Rabin may meet again before the Israeli premier leaves Wednes-

improve Israeli-American relations.

Mr. Rabin leaves Washington Wednesday for visits to Flo-rida and New York, before returning bome next Saturday.

Israeli troops bust up fresh demonstrations in Ramallah

Historic Afro-Arab summit opens in Cairo with calls "common causes" act on to

can countries with a total population of over 400 million got together here today to lay the foundations for organised, long-term political and economic co-operation between the Arab World and black Africa. The need for unity to achieve just solutions to the problems of Palestine and Southern Afri-ca and to bolter the Third World

ca, and to bolster the Third Wor-ld as a whole in its struggle for economic development and a fair international economic order, were the key themes of the inaugural session of the Afro-

Arab summit. The three-day conference, op-ened by President Anwar Sadat of Egypt late this morning. of Egypt late this morning, brings together the beads of state(or their representatives, of all members of the Arab League, including the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), and of the Organisation of Afri-can Unity (OAU), with the sole exception of Malawi. Saudi Arabia stunned the ga-thering by announcing it would

thering by announcing it would grant \$1 billion for African economic development. Right from the start of bis welcoming statement, Mr. Sa-dat stressed the meaning of po-litical solidarity by offering one million dollars as a gift to Airl-

can liberation movements, and also said Egypt had made its arms stockpiles available to African freedom fighters. Tunisian Premier Hedl Noui-

underdevelopment.

ra, speaking as current Presi-dent of the Arab League, said Arabs and Africans had experienced the same destiny "colonial domination and ra-cism" and were fighting the same struggle against economic

Mauritius Prime Minister Sir

Seewoodsagur Ramgoolam, ad-dressing the audience of kings,

presidents, emirs and premiers,

in his capacity as bost of last

July's OAU summit, said the

Palestinians must achieve their

the support of the whole of

"legitimate rights" and pledged

African for those who "fight

At least 23 heads of state and six hesds of government were present for the talks, held

in a long oblong hall at the Arab Socialist Union building,

symbol showing Africa and green symbol showing Africa and the Middle East in black. His Majesty King Hussein

will address the summit tomor-row morning. This evening's closed summit session last-ed for 3¹/₂ hours.

ed for 3½ hours, Prince Saud Al Feysal, Sau-dl Arabla's Foreign Minister, announced that bis country would allocate \$1 billion for econolc development in Africa. Prince Saud said that the bulk of the allocation would be channeled through the Saudi Development Fund and passed on to competent Arab and Afri-can bodies. The Saudi minister

can bodies. The Saudi minister said the funds included two million out of \$5 million that Arab foreign ministers yester-day pledged to contribute to

African liberation movements. In a political statement to be adopted by the summit, Arab and African leaders af-

firm that the Middle East and Southern Africa will hence-fortb be considered as common

However, the need for close

economic cooperation and soli-

'Afro-Arab causes".

for their freedom." Israel and the "racist regi-mes" of Southern Africa came under sharp attack from all speakers at the nearly two-bour inaugural session in the crow-ded People's Hail. President Sadat affirmed

that Israel was "blocking the road to a just peace" and "re-jects the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people to establish their own independent state." He warned that "impe-rialist and racist forces" were poised to open new fronts in Southern Africa.

Jordan, PLO, Egypt, Syria mini-summit is reported

CAIRO, March 7 (AFP) A mini-Arab summit will sit in Damascus at the end of March attended by H.M. King Hussein. Egyptian and Syrian Presidents Anwar Sadat and Hafez Assad, and Yasser Arafat, leader of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, the Saudi Arabian News Agency reported today from Cairo.

The meeting will take place before President Sadat leaves for the ensuring their respect of inter-national law. Mr. Ramgoolam issued a "so-lemn appeal" to the United Sta-Senegal said today that laying

down the foundations of real Afro-Arab sconenue coopera-tion could pave the way for trites to bring about the Liberapartite cooperation with Westtion of "occupied Arab lands". The beads of state were to consider three documents --thrashed out and finalised yes-terday by Afro-Arab foreign ministers -- when they went into closed session tonight. At jeast 23 heads of state ern Europe, He also told the summit that

at first cooperation between the Arab World and Africa could take the form of preferential trade agreements and joint prospecting for natural resources.

He stressed the need for a "real" programme of Afra-Arab cooperation and emphasized the importance of regional projects and projects aimed at increasing the agricultural cutput of African countries,

Kaddoumi lauds Soviet ties, rejects recognition Israel ot

KUWAIT, March 7 (R). -- Mr. Farouk Kaddoumi, the Palesti-ne resistance movement's "fo-reign minister", in an interview published here yesterday, calied for strengthening ties with the Soviet Union to face the United States which he said was still adopting a hostile at-titude towards the Palestinians. Mr. Kaddoumi, head of the Palestine Liberation Organisation's (PLO) Political Department, told the daily newspaper Al Watan the United States contlnued supporting Israel aga-inst the Palestinians.

He accused the U.S. of "ex-

It was necessary to streng-

: bout \$10,000, a press conferece was told in Tel Aviv. ...omania is the only communist - ountry to have diplomatic reintions with Israel.

- Other supplies on their way iclude surgical, x-ray and anesthetic equipment, power geerators and medicines, part of two million mark (£400.000) ackaga being prepared by We-Germany. Government offers of help

ave also flowed in from Hoand, Greece and Britain, which -- sending aid worth £20,000 · Romania tomorrow.

A U.S. embassy spokesman Bucharest said Romania has opealed for a wide range of edical supplies, including molie operating theatres, and a S. cargo plane was due there

day. The first foreign relief, from the Austrian Red Cross, arrived are last night, two days after

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ie earthquake struck. Fifty people were also killed Bulgaria in last Friday's cariquake centred in Romania, he Yugoslav news agency Tanig reported today from Sofia duoting a government report Whe agency said officials feaiore than 100 when rescue

ork is completed. In Bucharest, rescue workis using mechanical excava-irs and their bare hands deserately dug through mounta-is of rubble yesterday and to-

Ay seeking survivors. Thousands are now feared) have died across Romania. t last count, the known offial death toll was over 1.000 nd more than 5,000 people ere listed as injured.

About 30,000 dwellings were estroyed across Romania. It also became clear today hat the earthquake had dealt crippling blow to the coun-

y's economy. More than half of 70 indusial plants in the oil centre of loiesti are known to have been maged.

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will that is strengthened and encouraged by the special reday evening lationship that has long marked the ties between our two

peoples." of Soviet Jews was also due to be discussed.

manent peace."

Israeli officials said this was

Earlier today, Mr. Rabin lunched with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and met Defence Secretary Harold Brown, and was attending a working ban-quet given by President Carier

in the evening.

ton.

The question of emigration

Greeting Mr. Rabin on the White House lawn today, Mr. Carter said 1977 "might very well bring a major step forward to an ultimate and per-

was optimistic his first meet-ing with Mr. Carter would belp Inter-Palestinian clashes leave many dead in S. Lebanon

BEIRUT, March 7 (R). — Rival Palestinian factions clasbed yesterday and early today in southern Lebaron near the Is-raeli frontiar and official sour-

ces estimated casualties at 40 to 50 dead and wounded. Ambulances trying to reach the town of Nabatiyeh where the fighting occurred were fir-

ed on and forced back. Fighting broke out yesterday between factions of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command (PFLP-GC).

Commandos of the pro-Syrian Saige organisation intervened, local residents said. Today, the Salaa forces had won control of offices in Na-batlyeh used by the Palestin-

ian Rejection Front, the residents added.

The little stone-built market town, less than 15 kms from the Israeli border, is a key point for Palestinian forces deployed in southern Lebanon. Further south along the border, scene of spasmodic fight-

Mr. Rabin had said before leaving Tel Aviv Sunday that

no important decisions would

be made during his trip, but be

ing between Palestinians and rightist Lebanese forces, the sltuation was reported calm.

Efforts have been made to bring about a truce in order to give Lebanese President Elias Sarkis, now in Cairo for the Afro-Arab summit, time to work out a lasting solution to

the security problem there. He is seeking the help of other Arab leaders in finding a frontier security force acceptable to Palestinians, Lebanese,

Syrians and Israelis alike. The Kuwaitl newspaper Al Anbaa reported today that President Sarkis will seek to convena a restricted Arab summit in Cairo to discuss the situation in south Lebanon and financial ald to rebuild his war-ISLAMABAD, March 7 (AFP).

torn country. Ouoting informed sources in Cairo, the paper sald the maeting sought would be on the pattern of the restricted Ri-

yadh summit conference on Lebanon held last October. Al Anbaa also guoted Lebanese Interior Minister Salah Salman as saying the problem of the south was an Arab responsibility.

King Khaled

RAMALLAH, Occupied West Bank, March 7 (R). - Israeli troops today hurled tear gas to break up a demonstration by hundreds of Arab youths in sympathy with a bunger strike by Palestinlan guerril-las in Israeli jails.

Students carrying Palestinian flags and singing natio-nalist songs gathered in the town's central square and hurled stones at Israeli soldiers and local merchants who had to close their shops, military sources said.

Israeli troops broke up the demonstration and arrested dozens of demonstrators, the sources said. There were no casualties, but the windows of two passing Israeli cars

Meanwhile, more than 100 prisoners serving sentences on "security" charges at Je-nin prison on the West Bank joined the hunger strike started by 450 prisoners at As-galon jail in protest against prison overcrowding and degrading conditions.

The Asgalon prisoners renewed their strike last week, saying prison authorities had not fulfilled a promise to improve conditions after they ended a five-week hunger strike in January, Arab sources said.

Violence

countryside, was reported un-

In the voting, Prime Minister Bhutto and his Pakistan Peo-

ple's Party convincingly swept

back to power. With counting well ovar half finished, the PPP

Two people died today and

surprisingly wide margin.

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tions.

United States, the agency said.

Mahmoud Riad, Secretary General of the Arab League, said blg powers which were supplying arms and financial aid to "racist and aggressive regimes" were responsible for

Arafat lays Israeli acts before summit

CAIRO, March 7 (R). - Palestinlan leader Yasser Arafat today accused Israal of committing "savage crimes of aggres-sion" in southern Lebanon to create an explosive situation in

the Middle East. In a speech prepared for dellvery at the Afro-Arab summit here, Mr. Arafat, Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), said that the Israelis were bombing seven villages and Palestinian refugee camps in southern Lebanon.

"...In south Lebanon, the Zionists are going on with their aggressive policy against seven Lebanese villages and Palesti-nian refugee camps," he said. "They are bombing the vil-

lages and destroying local bouses, using local slogans to mask their savage crimes of aggression, thereby creating an explosive situation in our reMr. Arafat condemned what

he described as an "unholy al-llance" between Israel, South Africa and Rhodesia.

"We meet today for the sake of liberating man from ra-cist ideologies and the practice of hateful recial discrimination as represented by the unboly alliance between Pretoria, Sa-lisbury and Tel Aviv," be said. Mr. Arafat, who leads the PLO delegation at the summit, said the organisation's mem-bership in the Arab League and its observer status in the Organisation of African unity reflected the 'profound under-standing by both the Africans and the Arabs of the role . of Palestine ... in Afro-Arab solidarity."

one tenth of the seats, but we-

re today expected to return

with between 30 per cent and

35 per cent of the vote. Several

ministers also risked losing

He called on delegates to "stick to your revolutionary commitment to support our struggle (that of the Palestl-nians) which is inseparable from your struggle."

darity was also strongly emphased at the opening session. Mr. Sadat, host of the unprecedented conference and leaderting pressure on Europe so er of the country which forms that it does not adopt a stand the natural bridge between in the interest of the Arab cau-Africa and the Arab World, ses. said the two communities of nations and the rest of the Third World must achieve conthen tles with the Soviet Union "with the aim of confronting America." trol of their own natural re-

sources and put an end to fo-Mr. Kaddoumi said he beliereign exploitation. ved the possibilitie of war ex-William Eteki, Secretary-General of the OAU, said : "The negotlating power of the Third ceeded prospects for peace, which he considered as nil this World as a whole depends vear. upon Afro-Arab solidarity.

Mr. Kaddoumi said that re-Commenting on plans for cocognition of Israel was out of the question, and the Palestine operation between the two si-des : 1 the economic and finan-National Council would not be cial field, he said the time had discussing any amendment to the PLO charter. The council is come to "transiate words into deeds, principles into programdue to convene in the Egyptian mes and programmes into concapital on March 12. crete projects." Mr. Kaddoumi has been in

The economic declaration ag-Cairo attending the Afro-Arab reed upon yesterday by the fo-reign ministers called for "proforeign ministers' meeting. In an interview with Newsmoting the placement of Arab capital in African countries, week magazine released in New York today, Mr. Kaddouwhether in the form of direct mi, asked if the National couninvestments, loans or deposits," cil would amend the part of its as well as boosting the capital charter which denies recogni-tion of Israel, said : "It is not available to two continental banks based in Khartoum and a possibility. It is impossible. Abidjan. And we don't expect any dis-

Presidant Leopoid Senghor of

Intensive contacts pave way for Palestinian meet Geneva," he said. "It is not possible before the establishm-

ent of an independent (Palestinian) state." DAMASCUS, March 7 (R). ---Palestinian leaders are engaged in Intensive bebind the scenes contacts to try to reach agreement on the new high command of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO expected to emerge later this

month. The Palestine National Council, the movement's perliament in exile, is meeting in Cairo on

Executive Committee to run its affairs on a day-to-day basls. Well informed sources said the contacts were concentrating on the speakership of the National Council and the membership of the executive, which is expected to be 15 strong. The last Executive Committe, formed in 1974, had 14 members.

Official PLO sources said the council would not modify the organisation's charter -- an Israeli demand -- nor recognise Israel.

The current Speaker of the National Council, Mr. Khaled Al Faboum, said the dialogue with Jordan, begun late last month, was not now expected to resume until after the national council meeting. Earlier be had boped to go to Amman again before Saturday's meeting.

"We are insisting on a separate delegation," he said. "And to attend et the outset of the Geneva conference, and then to participate in all of its works." He said that the Palestinians

would have to be flexible for the sake of Middle East peace nnd accept a mini-state Initial-

cussions or proposals on this." Mr. Kaddoumi also rejected

an idea proposed by President

Anwar Sadai of Egypt, that the Palestinians should link up in

some way with Jordan before a

reconvened Geneva conference

"It is not possible before

on Middle East peace.

ly. "But this doesn't mean that we are giving up the rest of our rights ... there are two (initial) phases to our return. The first phase to the 1967 lines, and the second the 1948 lines ... The third stage is the democratic state of Palestine. We ere fighting for all three stages.

Asked if the Palestioians were willing to rely on political and diplomatic means to achieve this he replied : Well, if they can be effective, we will do it. And we will wait. But if not, then wa will resume our

armed struggle." Mr. Kaddoumi sald be saw no sign of U.S. willingness to change its Middle East policy. "On the contrary, they provide arms and more aid to Israei, Talk, talk, talk, talk. They talk of us but they give to Israel,"

has successful 2nd operation

underwent successful surgery of the thigh at a London clinic 26 others were injured in Suktoday, a royal spokesman ankar where police used tear gas nounced. and fired on crowds to clear The operation, said by the the streets. Polling was halted, spokesman to be the second

and last on the king'a left thigh, followed an earlier one on Feb. 15. "The operation went well and the state of the king's

health is very satisfactory," the spokesman added. were injured after minor clashes erupted at women'a pol-

- Sporadic violence spilled over into voting in Pakistan's general election today, after marring a 42-day campaign in which at least seven people were killed. But the general situation, particularly in the

ling stations. The major incident came in the clty's beavily populated Chakiwara District, where retail sbops were set on fire, and unofficial sources said two people died.

Clashes were also reported from Hyderabad, where a mem-ber of Prime Minister Zulfikar All Bbutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) was seriously wounded by attackers as he went to vote.

peared free and honest.

had a virtually unassailable lead and political observers predicted it would win by a

dual parties are grouped. The existence of a strong and at least temporary unified op-position to Mr. Bhutto was a

Butto was running any risk. In the last assembly the op-position parties had less than

their seats. Mr. Bbutto had criss-crossed tha country tirelessly after a slow start, and promised if returned to purge both administration and government and fight inflation A former air force chief, Ma-

mars Pakistani elections

Other less serious incidents were at Lahore, and Lyallpur in the Punjab. In the Islamabad area, the atmosphere was pea-ceful, turnout seemed heavy and observers sald polling ap-

About 30 million voters were

and the opposition Pakistan National Alliance (PNA) called for a boycott of polling sta-

In Karachi about 100 people

to elect a 200-seat National Assembly for five yaars, and the

main contest was between Mr. Bbutto's PPP and the opposition PNA in which nine indivi-

new phenomenon. Only two months ago, when the election was called, nobody thought Mr.

rshal Asghar Khan, emerged during the campaign as the opposition's leading candidate and likeliest contender for the premlership. Four prominent opposition colltlcians have campaigned

from prison, including the wellknown former leader of the National Awami Party, banned in 1975 for "anti-Pakistani positions".

The opposition had no candidates in the southwestern province of Baluchistan, where a revolt against the central government was quelled a four

years ago. According to the opposition, the presence of troops in the province would prevent elections being held in a "normal" atmosphere.

Saturday and must name a new

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Summitry on trial

The spectacle of bargaining for financial aid that took place at the Afro-Arah foreign ministerial meetings last weekend was not the best kind of stagesetter for cooperation before the Afro-Arah heads of state summit opened in Cairo yesterday. In fact, the entire process was disgraceful. The prolonged argument about how much aid the Arabs would give the Africans was an exercise in shortsighted and rather haphazard vision. It focuses on a matter -- cash -that is fleeting, and thus perilous. What if the world discovers tomorrow that water is a better fuel than oil? What happens then to the Afro-Arab cooperation effort if the Arahs suddenly find they have no more spare cash? What if the Arahs refuse to give the Africans a single dollar of aid? Is the summit called off? What if the Arahs decide to give the Africans twenty billion dollars a year (which they could)? Does the summit then blossom into spangled success?

There are common interests among the Arabs and the Africans that are of monumental importance to the future of hundreds of millions of people. There are matters hefore the world, particularly matters related to international trade, cooperation and developmental efforts, that will largely determine whether coming Arah and African generations of people will live with the minimal standards of health, education, welfare and self-esteem, or whether they will live without these. There are common interests that group Arabs and Africans with hundreds of millions of other developing nations throughout the world. There are processes that have heen started -- vital global dialogues -- that will require all the wisdom, courage, insight and vision that can be mustered among the developing nations of our world. If we have shown that we find it proper to open a summit of Afro-Arab cooperation hy hargaining over money, then we have not shown very much at all.

Money alone does not mean real cooperation, and cooperation involves far more than just money. Africans and Arabs have fought far too long and far too hard -- and far too similar battles -- to denigrate the commonalities of their historical struggles now by a crass process of counting the cash. What of the Arabs who have no spare cash to give? What of Jordanians and Palestinians and Lebanese and Yemenis? What about the larger battles the Arabs and Africans have to fight against the settler-colonial forces of Zionism and racism that have brought us to the point, it seems, where we gather in summitry to argue about money? When the cash runs out, these questions will remain. If we don't tackle them now, when we have the cash, what will we do when the cash runs out? llon kilowatts.

Ethiopia's two marxist parties wage bloody power struggle for leadership

Many shootings seem to have

diers: At the scene of one such

drama, a soldier told a moto-

rist who had been shot and

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The chairmen of the 291 Ke-

beles (local councils) in Addis

Ababa have been prime tar-

gets for assassing. Dozens have

been shot at over the past few

But now the targets include

lesser officials: There Kebele

so heen victims of assassins.

Ordinary people are under

pressure to turn out for rallies

memorate thousands of citizens

slaughtered 40 years ago hy

Many have been arrested.

ernment car.

ADDIS ABABA, March 7 (R). the killing of Brigadier-General - Strife is increasing in this Ethiopian capital as pro-and an-Teferi and six other senior members of tha military counti-government factions vent cil in the Feb. 3 palace guntheir political differences in fight. Another typical killing was bloody killings.

that of Mr. Ato Tewodros, chairman of the new pro-gov-Estimates from informed sources - - there are no published ernment All-Ethiopia Trade Un-ion who was shot when gunfigures -- say that around 200 people may bave been killed in the streets or in their homes men hurst into his office. They since a Feb. 3 gunfight in the grand palace beadquarters escaped after wounding another official. of the ruling military council. This left Lieutenant-Colonel been ignored by police and sol-

Mengistu Haile-Mariam as the hardline Marxist Head of State. Those murdered include government officials, government opponents - - described as "counter-revolutionaries" by the auactioo because the offender apthorities -- and apparently in-nocent civilians.

Informed sources say the vain adversaries are the government-hacked marxist All Ethiopian Socialist Movement and the underground marxist Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party months. (EPRP). Despite their apparent ideological similarities, the two gaurds. simple men who wan-der the streets with sticks for groups are locked in a savage power struggle, with their main difference being over the speed with which political power should be returned to civilians. a small wage, were found killed, apparently as they slept. Students, who mainly seem to be anti-government, have al-

In a series of rallies Colonel Mengistu has sharpened his attacks on the EPRP and other anti-government groups. There has been an increase in violence on both sides.

in support of the government, hut ceremonies to bonour Ato Master-Sergeant Ahraham Gebre-Medhin was killed by Tewodros, the slain pro-governsecurity forces outside e city ment union leader, and to comtheatre recently. He had been accused of involvement in former Head of State Teferi Ban-Italian occupation forces, drew te's alleged "counter-revolutionary plot." The plot ended with

Many people, ranging from

only small crowds.

parents of schoolchildren to senior bureaucrats, are clearly frighteaed by the unpredictable violence.

The people are constantly encouraged by the government to stand up against "counter-revo-lutionaries" and are promised arms with which to support the revolution.

When Master-Sergeant Abraham and three of his colleagues bad their pbotographs published in the official Addis Zemen newspaper as men wanted by the authorities, Ethiopians were urged to take "revolutionary action" against them.

Addressing the rally for Ato Tewodros, a senior member of the ruling council, Major Endale Tessema, said the assassination of what he termed genuine revolutionaries would be avenged by the liquidation of 1,000 reactionaries.

lution, which began with the toppling of the late Emperor Haile Selassie in 1974, was "determined to defeat the white terror of its enemies with a red terror.'

Despite the upsurge of ac-tivity by the EPRP, analysts do not believe the movement could provide an alternative government because it does not have the hacking of the armed forces, which, despite their ac-tions on behalf of the govern-

Meanwhile, the sound of gunfire is heard increasingly in a city which until recently had managed to maintain an ap-pearance of calm throughout two years of violent political

UN Water Resourses Conference offers chance to vent Argentine-Brazil feud over Parana River

tional rivers, It argues that

water resources belong not only

to the bead stream country but

to all the nations the river

crosses -- an idea known as

the "successive course rivers

Brazil refuses to submit its

BUENOS AIRES, March 7 ween the two big South Ameri-(R). — A long-standing feud can neighbours and prevented between Argentina and Brazil a meeting between a Brazilian over rights on the Parana River and an Argentine president for the past five years. is likely to be aired at a United Nations conference on water re-Argentina insists that prior sources in Argentina this consulation is mandatory for any water works on interna-

month. The two biggest countries of South America are believed to be engaged in gathering sup-port among other countries in the area for their respective stands during the conference opening in the seaside resort of

Mar Del Plata on March 14. Ranked the longest among national interests to any other the world's rivers, the Parana straggles southwards from Brastate, hut has expressed willingness to supply information on its projects -- generally zil and becomes Paraguay's southeast border before cutting after they have been carried out -- and says it is prepared to compensate other states for through northeast Argentina to flow into the river Plate. any damage stemming from its

Brazil has built over 20 reservoirs and minor dams on the taries inslåe

two hydroelectric dam pro-

River has cooled relations bet-

The dispute over the Parana

jects in the area.

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He said the Ethiopian revo-

ment, have avoided involvement in the ideological dispute.

troubles.

The statement bitterly com-

BAHRAIN, March 7 (R). --- Futuristic-looking towers, whose designs appear inspired by Islamic minarets, rocket launchers or down-to-earth mushrooms, dominate the skylines of most of the booming cities of

They are water towers built hy the thirsty inhabitants of this region whose parched sands have produced some of the 20th century's millionaires.

Water is the obsession of desert peoples, and the majority of the Gulf peoples were no-madic tribesmen who roamed the sandy wastes with their herds until oil wealth attracted them and a collection of foreign advisers, workers and fortune hunters to the previously poverty stricken cities. Billions of dollars have been spent over the past few years on providing "sweet" water to these citles, to the bedouin and their camels, to experimental farms, and to new heavy industries being set up along these once pirate-infested sh-

to desalination. But the tiny and oil-free UAE state of Ajman has found a useful source of income in export-ing drinking water from an abundant source

With the belp of a company which bottles one of France's famous mineral waters it is marketing its water throughout the Gulf in plastic bottles under the brand name Gulfa. At a dollar for a litre-bottle, it is probably netting much more per gallon than its neighbours earn for their oil.

Most Gulf States have developed a basic infrastructure of desalination plants, pipelines and reservoirs.

Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil exporter with a vast territory and a population of about seven-million, plans- to spend 13 billion dollars on water projects in its current fiveyear plan, of which more than one billion dollars is due to be spent this year.

The provision of water and

ECONOSCOPE By Jawad Ahmad

A Representative Office is Better than a Branch If

The Jordanian Council of Ministers approved a regulation allowing foreign banks and foreign financial companies to open represen-tative offices in Jordan. Only those banks and companies which do not, or do not intend to, open branches in Jordan are allowed to have representative offices in Amman.

The functions of representative offices vary from one to another dapending on the volume of business they undertake in Jordan. However they usually carry out more work than a correspondent and less work than a branch.

A representative office does not accept deposits nor does it issue loans. But it can arrange such services between Jordanian cli-ents and foreigners working in Jordan on one side and the company or bank they represent on the other.

They may help finance certain Jordanianbased projects, by supplying their company or hank with information on the finance-seeking projects. Thus, in addition to their work on mediators, they serve as intelligence units to

the firms they represent. A foreign bank, or a foreign financial com-pany may prefer to establish a representative office rather than a branch on several grounds. First, if they are convinced that a branch may not secure sufficient volume of business.

Second, the cost of opening a branch is usually much greater than a representative office. This is particularly true in Jordan where office space and bank employees are expensive

to get. Third, if the bost country's regulations are more hospitable to offices than branches. In

Jordan, for instance, the Central Bank and the concerned laws and regulations do exactly that. To open a branch in Jordan, the concent of reciprocity must be observed, i.e., a country which wants to open a branch in Jordan must allow a Jordanian bank to open a branch in it.

Fourth, the license fee of a representative office is JD 1000 a year. But a bank branch must pay JD 100,000 before it is licensed.

The recent expansion in Jordan's financial and monetary market makes the idea of a representative office quite promising and befitt-ing. Moreover, Jordan is growing fast as a financial and commercial center. In addition, Jordanian investors are increasing their inter national borrowings.

Political stability and economic prospects serve as another encouraging factor. The rela-tions which ties Jordan with other rich Arab countries and its geographical proximity to them widens the market in face of representative offices.

It is certainly obvious that a representative office is less expensive, more efficient and less complicated than a branch On the other hand, the volume of business warrants something larger than the services offered by e correspondent.

However, a representative office must not engage in any activities which are considered inimical to the economic interests of Jordan. Otherwise, the office will be closed. Jordan's laws, regulations and business offer every chance of success. It is only fair to live and let live. 14

Gulf States invest heavily in futuristic fresh water systems Kuwait this month opened of water and is having to resort '.

group of three slim water t wers inspired by Islamic arci tecture in Kuwait City, the tr lest of which has a rotati platform on top containing restaurant. Kuwait plans spend 240 million dollars water and power in the ci

rent year. Very few novel ideas ha taken bold, except in agric ture.

Ideas for towing iceber from the south pole, ferry water from New Zealand Brazil in redundant oil tanks or tankers on their return jor neys remain only vague pla Another idea which has ;

to gain acceptance is da ming the Gulf between Qa and Saudi Arabia. This idea, put forward by Moroccan professor three yes ago, would create a vast la between Qatar and the Sa-

mainland. Gulf rulers such as U President Sheikh Zaid Bin S tan Al Nahayan, who drea of turning the desert green, investing generously in exp

ments involving novel forms

plained that Brazilian Minister the Gulf. Especito de Freitas Rosende transmitted the news verablly to the Argentine ambassador on March 18 while "clad in bathing trunks" beside the pool of his residence in Brasilia. The Brazilian foreign minis-try replied that "despite having no obligation to do so, the technical data on the Ilha Sol-

teira Dam was conveyed to Argentine diplomats. Furthermore, all this information was widely published by Brazilian newspapers, the Brazilian statement said.

Brazilian diplomats have dis-missed aprebension here that their dams up-giver will reduce the flow of the Parana downstream.

"On the contrary, Ilha Sol-teira and Itaipu will stabilize

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Most of the Jordanian dailies commented on the Afro-Arab summit and its agenda in their editorials.

AL RA'I, under the heading "A balanced dream", says that all developing nations in this part of the world, who have always been let down hy the United Nations can dream of a frec and penceful world. The U.N. has always been a gathering of the strong and the weak, while the Afro-Arah meeting is a gathering of equals, who share the same dream of a hetter future for their people.

The Africans and the Arabs are calling for a new economic system - - a new worldwide system that does not name a necktie produced in a developed country as a fair price for a tonne of phosphate produced in a developing country. Arabs and Africans have now decided to use their human and natural resources to back their own progress and development. They have decided to fight for sove reignty over their lands and resources, to stand up against agression and illegal occupation and to rise one and all against exploitation and racism in an attempt to secure peace and security in the whole world.

They have made their decision, the paper goes on to say, hut to reach their goal, they must not believe in miracles. That goal will only be achieved through diligent work, struggle and patience. This will give them the strength to back their interests against those of the

concludes

economic and political statements in the agenda. The paper says that the political statement calls for a blockade of all racist regimes, especially the Zionist and Southern African white minority regimes. This in itself, the paper goes on, is a new victory for the Arab nation. The statement thus places Israel and the Zionist movement in the same category as raci-sm, and clarifies the opinion of a vast number of the world's population about the reel size of the racist Israeli dwarf.

Al Sha'h then comments on the plan for economic cooperation between the Arahs and the African nations, stating that it was finally agreed that Arah aid to Africa would total \$1.5 billion. But that is not a bargain -- the African political stand is not the price for Arah aid. It is cooperation ... a unified stand backing human principles against aggression and racism.

To ensure this, we believe that Arab and African leaders, now meeting for the first time at what we consider a historic gathering, should establisb a joint development fund to be financed by the rich countries of Africa and the Arab World. We believe, the paper concludes, that this fund should be started to finance both Arab and African development projects a step which proves

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In 1973, what came to be known as "the bathing tru-Itaipu, spanning the Parana at the Brazilian border with Paraguay, is only 17 kms. north of the Argentine border, and Argentina fears its outlet of 580 cubic metres of water per second will hamper its own nks war" broke out.

A harsh statement by the Argentine foreign ministry ch-arged Brazil with infringing a bilateral agreement signed in New York in 1972 hy not reporting formally that the reservoir of the Ilha Solteira Dam on the Parana River was filled on April 1, 1973.

the river's now, and Dut an end to the alternate droughts and floods hitting Argentine territory," one said.

The issue surfaced again at a meeting of foreign ministers from the five river Plate Basin countries in Brasilia three months ago.

An Argentine spokesman said there: "Italpu, a joint Paraguay-Brazilian project upriver on the Parana, can seriously hamper Argentina's own joint hydroelectric projects with Paraguay. "Argentina cannot accept lt-aipu as a fait accompli."

ores Paradoxically the few states where water is found are the ones with little or no oil, such as Bahrain, Oman and some of smaller states of the United Arah Emirates (UAE). But the majority of the wa-

ter needs of the Gulf come from huge desalination plants which remove the salt and make sea water suitable for drinking

Even Bahrain, the small island-state believed by some to have been the original garden of Eden, is now running short

electric power go hand in hand in the Gulf as the water pumped into desalination plants is also often used to generate electricity.

The peninsula state of Qatar, with an estimated income of about two billion dollars a year for some 50,000 to 80,000 citizens, is planning to spend about 400 million dollars on water and power projects this year. Abu Dhabi, with three times the income, and a few thousand

more citizens, is planning to spend only slightly less on such projects.

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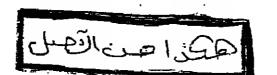
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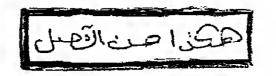
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JORDAN TIMES, TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1977

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By Allan Martan Special to the Jordan Times

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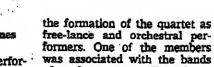
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The London Saxophone Qutet is currently touring the iddle East. Their itinerary inided Algeria, Tunisia, Bahra-Kuwait and Iraq where their usic was well received. This their first appearance in Ameavily

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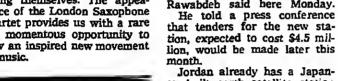
formers. One of the members was associated with the bands of such greats as Tom Jones and Tony Bennet.

In their short time as a quartet they have made a tremendous mark on the music world. In order to build their reperto-ire, Paul Harvey devoted his time to the writing and transcribing of saxophone pieces. As a group they bave also organised several recitals on the international level for the development of an entirely new and original repertoire.

They perform selections from a wide range of styles and periods. Their repertoire now includes 10th century pieces, classical, chamber music, jazz, avante-guarde and several original compositions.

Their visit to Jordan is in cooperation with the Friends of Children's Theatre, Performances will begin at 8:00

Most of the world's great music has been born in the heat of inspiration of those seeking new and better means of expressing themselves. The appearance of the London Saxophone Quartet provides us with a rare and momentous opportunity to view an inspired new movement



Jordan already has a Japanese-built earth satellite station near Baq'a refugee camp about 16 kms. northwest of Amman.

MARCH 25 **OPENS JUBILEE** CELEBRATIONS

AMMAN. — The Higher Com-mittee for King Hussein's Silver Jubilee decided at a meeting Sunday chaired by acting Pri-me Minister Dr. Al Majali that the prime minister will issue a statement on the evening of March 25 proclaiming the start of celebrations for the jubilee. On the morning of March 26 the Higher Committee will present the jubilee flag to His

Majesty the King at a public rally. The King will then hand the flag to a Jordanian boy and girl to raise it in the Raghdan Palace courtyard. Jubilee flags will also fly over ministries and other go-

vernment and public buildings until the end of the year. The Mayor of Amman, Ma'an Abu Nuwwar, was appointed to

supervise the largest of the celebrations, on August 11, at the Amman International Stadium.

AMMAN (Agencies). — Inter-national companies will soon be invited to bid for building a second satellite monitoring station in Jordan, the Communications Minister Abdul Raouf Al Rawabdeb said here Monday.

NATIONAL NOTES

* AMMAN. - Mr. Ghaleb Barakat, the acting Minister of Reconstruction and Development, decorated Mr. Jobn Rennie, retiring UNRWA Commissioner General, with the Istiqlal medal, first grade, bestowed upon him by Prince Hassan, the Viceroy, on the occasion of bis retirement.

* AMMAN. - Prince Hassan, the Viceroy, Monda; received at the Raghdan Palace the credentials of Salem Ibn Rashed Al Absal as Bahrain's first ambassador to Jordan. Acting Foreign Minister Adnan Abu Odeh and Court Minister Amer Khammasb were present at the ceremony. Prince Hassan also sent a cable of congratulations to Syrian President Hafez Assad on the occasion of the anniversary of the March 8 revolt in Syria.

* AMMAN. — The Foreign Ministry has received a cable from Jordan's embassy in Belgrade to the effect that all Jordanian students in Yugoslavia are safe and well after an earthquake hit the country Friday night. Jordan's embassy in Bucharest in a cable to the Foreign Ministry, bas confirmed that all Jordanian students in Romania are safe.



His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Viceroy, meets in Amman Monday with the Romanian Ambassador to Jordan to convey the sympathy of the Jordanian people to those who have suffered the disaster of the earthquake in Romania. (JNA photo).

2nd satellite station to be built in Jordan

Built in 1971, it cost \$500,000. Mr. Al Rawabdeh also said that the Telecommunications Corporation is now adopting a policy that will ease the telephone communications crisis and rectify certain mistakes, pending a radical solution.

The minister of communications spoke about three mobile automatic exchanges -- each containing 1.000 numbers -- to installed at Jabal Amman. Mabatta and Ramtha. They will become operational between May and September.

ITU head here discusses Arab telecomms. unit

> AMMAN (JNA). — The Secre-tary General of the Internatio-nal Telecommunication Union (ITU), Mohammed Meely, arrived in Aman by road from Damascus Monday on a two-day visit to Jordan. He is accompa-nied by Mr. Burgman, Chief of the union's technical services

for Europe and the Middle East. During his stay, Mr. Meely will meet with Prime Minister Mudar Badran and hold talks with the ministers of communications and information on matters connected with Radio, Te-levision and Telecommunications.

He said his visit to Jordan aims at promotion of cooperation between Jordan and the ITU in all fields. He also said that during his tour, which will cover a number of Arab sta-

tes, he will discuss the possible establishment of a regional training centre in the Arab World, which would be equivalent to a technical university specialised in telecommunica-

tions affairs at all levels. It would aim to graduate engin-eers and techniclans who would be able to operate the latest communications equipment.

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Khleifawi states to Al Ra'i Israel's delaying tactics endanger Geneva talks

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Syria's Prime Minister Maj.- a policy of procrastination in order to continue its occupa-Gen, Abdul Rahman Khleifawi tion of Arab territorics. It also charged that Israel was adopdenies Palestinian rights," he ting delaying tactics to continue stated in an interview published its occupation of Arab territorby Al Ra'i Monday.

an attitude could create dan-"Facts have shown that Isgers that might threaten the rael seizes every opportunity to adopt delaying tactics and success of the Geneva talks.

Syrian Baathists mark revolution anniversary

ism in Iraq is to keep that country, with its manpower and material resources, away from a just peace in the Middle East was still remote and that Israel the confrontation with Zionism and imperialism." was receiving unlimited milita-ry and financial aid.

In a statement marking the 14th anniversary of the March $\underline{\delta}$ revolution which brought the Baath to power, the party's pan-Arab Leadersbip called for closer Arab solidarity and sup-port and aid for the Arab states confronting Israel.

"Through our knowledge of the nature of the Zionist enemy, its expansionist ambitions. its arrogance and intransigence, we realise that the achievement of a just peace in the Arab region is still remote, particularly as imperialism conti-nues to offer unlimited military and material aid to the Zionist enemy," the statement

The statement attacked Iraqi rulers, charging that "the main aim of imperialism and Zion-

Minister inspects Aqaba housing

AQABA (JNA). - The Minis-ter of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Ibrahim Ayoub, Monday inspected the Aqaba housing scheme which is now being constructed., It consists of 700 apartments and other units that can accommodate a total of some 1,500 labourers.

The project is expected to be completed early next year.

official visits experimental

station

Agriculture

AMMAN (JNA). - The Minister of Agriculture, Salah Jum'a, Monday accompanied the Director General of the Arab Organisation for Agricultural Development (AOAD), Dr. Mohammad Muhib Zaki, on a visit to the agricultural experimental station at Wadi Al Dhled. Dr. Zaki toured the station and was briefed on its services to farmers and its studies and research on soil, vegetables and gardening.

The station comprises some 450 dunuous of salinity-flushed and planted with cereals and fruit trees. Dr. Zaki also visi-ted a JD 2 million dairy project, which is being carried out by the Ministry of Agriculture. It houses 413 Dutch cows, whose daily yield amounts to three tonnes of milk.

Mr. Jum'a and Dr. Zaki la-ter visited a private farm in the area.

He further stated that all the parties to the Middle East conflict were in agreement that the Geneva peace conference should resume before the end of the year.

The Arab position was now clearer than ever and could hardly be rejected by other pewers, he added.

On the recent summit mee-ting in Khartoum between Sy-ria, Egypt and Sudan, he said Arab unity was the "ideal aim of our Arah nation. The policy of the Baath Party is to supp ort any action leading to uni-

"The creation of the joint political command (between Egy-pt, Syria and Sudan) is a big step on the road to a political, economic, cultural and social union."

On African-Arab relations Maj.-Gen. Khleifawi said both the Arabs and Africans were fighting for polyacal and economic liberation and against racism.

He said the African states understood the nature of the Arab struggle against Israel and took clear positions on the conflict.

On the situation in south Le-banon, the Syrian prime mini-ster said the problem was a question for the Lebanese legal authorities to tackle,

Exchange Rates

Following are the official exchange rates in effect at the start of today's business day, as set by the Central Bank of Jordan

The first column is how much you would receive in Jordanian fils for selling a unit of the foreign currency, while the second column denotes how much it would cost you to buy a unit of the foreign currency :

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U.K. sterling 571.0 577.0 U.S. dollar 332.0 334.0 German mark 139.4 139.8 French franc 66.S

said.

team leaves Jordan

British trade union

The London Saxophone Quartet jazzes up Amman today.

MMAN (JNA). — A British rades Union Congress delega-on Monday left bere for Cairo fter a three-day official visit > Jordan during which they ere received in audience by rince Hassan, the Viceroy, and eld talks with a number of fficials. The delegation also isited some Palestinian refuee camps in Jordan.

The head of the delegation "id before departure that degation members had the op-ortunity to acquaint themseles with trade union activities Jordan and with Jordan's iewpoint in regard to the fiddle East crisis.

said that the meetings He nd the visits they paid deepe-

ned their belief in the justice of th) Arab stand. He said the delegation would raise their voice at trade union meetings and in the British parliament in support of Arab demands.

The delegation issued a sta-tement saying the visit constltuted a step towards boosting relations between trade unions in both countries and boosting the chances for a peace based on right and justice, requiring complete Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and guaranteeing the legitimate rights of ahe Palestinian peo-

The delegation expressed sa-tisfaction over the progress Jordan has made in economic, social and development fields.

* AMMAN. - Her Highness Princess Basma Monday paid a visit to charities in the Jarasb and Ajloun districts. The princess stres-sed the need for voluntary efforts in social development program-mes. Princess Basma also visited the girls' teachers training college and the Baptist hospital in Ajloun.

* AMMAN. — At a meeting chaired by acting Prime Minister Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali Sunday, the Cabinet approved an agreement whereby the British government will provide a £9 million loan for development projects.

* BUDAPEST. — Jordan's ambassador in Yugoslavia, Dr. Nasser Al Batayneh, has presented his credentials to the Hungarian pre-sident as non-resident ambassador to Hungary.

* AMMAN. - Director of the Department of Statistics Shuja' Al Assad Monday left here for Baghdad to take part in the meet-ing of Arab experts on educational statistics now being held in Baghdad under the supervision of the Arab Organisation for Education, Culture and Science.

* AMMAN. — On the eve of International Women's Day, which is observed Tuesday, a celebration was held at the Soviet Cultural Centre, when Mrs. Voronin, wife of the Soviet Ambassador in Amman spoke of the importance of this day and its role in fostering relations amongst the women of the world, and of their solidarity in trying to achieve peace and equality

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Commerce revealed Monday.

AMMAN (JNA). - The government is presently participating in the capital of 21 industrial companies, which produce different kinds of industrial and

mpanied by his under secretary and die director general of the Housing Corporation, will make an inspection tour Tuesday to Wadi Rum, Gharandal, Bir Madkour, Rahma and the Dissi area in the Ma'an governorate.

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Australia takes soft stand on Indonesian occupation of East Timor

On April 23, 1976 the U.N. Security Council adopted a 12-0 resolution calling on Indonesia to withdraw its forces from East Timor and repeating its demand for political self-determination of the territory's people. Only the U.S. and Japan abstained in the voting.

In November the same year, the U.N. General As-sembly approved a resolution rejecting the claim that East Timor is a part of Indonesia. It called on the Suharto government to withdraw Indonesian troops from the territory.

The voting was 61-18, with 49 abstentions, including Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea.

While the Australian government continues to softpedal the issue, for fear of embarrassing the government, the resistance mounted by the Revolutionary Front of Independant East Timor (Fretilin) has found strong support from three Asian communist nations --China, Vietnam and Cambodia.

Should Australia treat the freedom struggle of the East Timorese as a non-issue? Following is an interview with Chris Santos, the Fretilin 'voice' in Australia.

By Maurice Perera

MELBOURNE, (Gemini) — The dark, languid eyes sparkle for a momeot. "Yes, we'll win our struggle in East Timor, and I hope it won't be long" says Chris Santos. "Because it will he hard for us -- with all the reconstructioo and suffering -there are many things for us

to do there." And then the eyes sadden, the voice falters ... almost beg-ging the world to take notice of the freedom struggle of the East Timorese, and do something about it.

Chris Santos is East Timor's Fretilin "representative" in Au-stralia. He is 29, a "journalist by profession", but had seen much of the action in East Timor fighting the forces of the Democratic Uoion of Timor -once coalition partners, hut which Chris says represented the continuance of colonialism.

'Fretilin", he explains, "stan-ds for the Revolutionary Front of Independent East Timor. It is revolutionary in outlook, hut the word revolutionary stands for the front's commitment to revolutionise the country's old colonial structure,

"It seeks to modify, transform and revolutionise the old structures which were inherited from 500 years of colonialism. But we are not terrorists."

Just over one year ago a Red Cross radio in Darwin plcked up this frantic message

only a temporary visa that ex-pires in April this year, from East Timor. "The Indonesians have inwith Dunn, interviewed several He claims he applied for a residence visa last year, hut was only allowed a temporary visa. He says he will apply again in March before the current with a private articles have be to be be vade... their soldiers are in Dili. This is an appeal for in-ternational help. We appeal to Timorese refugees in Portugal There are serious charges the Australian people. Please help us ... please." The day --Sunday, December 7, 1975. A flurry of activity followed. Reto be answered hy the Indo-nesians -- there is a prima rent visa expires, but he is not particularly optimistic of heing facie case." The Premier of the state of granted one. 'I am afraid politicians sometimes forget the humanitarian grounds involved in such issues. They may decide they don't want me here," he says. NOTE "They see me as an ecoemy, trying to embarrass them, and that's not so. All I want to do Please contact LANA TRADING AGENCY, is just talk to them and try Tel. 23261, Abu Shaker, win their friendship. if you have houses or villas to let, or if you "We have not heen asking Australia for any sort of poli-tical support. Our main request need any to rent.

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fugee and relief programmes got underway. But on policy matters, the Australian govern-meot vacillated.

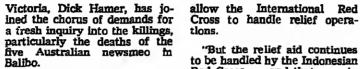
Meanwhile, Indonesia hurled its military might on the ill-equipped East Timorese and soon had a firm grip on the is-land, declaring the eastern sec-tor its 27th province.

The freedom struggle and the suffering of East Timorese, allegedly at the hands of Indo-The newsmen -- Greg Sha-ckleton, 29, Gary Cunningham, 27, Tony Stewart, 20, Malcolm nesian soldiers, failed to move the meo in power in Canberra. ing the Indonesian invasion of East Timor for Australian tele-And Indonesia continues to ig-nore a United Nations resolution urging it to withdraw its forces from the territory and vision. repeating its demand for politi-cal self-determination for the ign Minister, Adam Malik, has

East Timorese. Now, some 60,000 deaths later (some estimates put it at more than 100,000) and a growing scandal over the deaths of five Australian oewsmen in October 1975, Timor is again on the hoil, following an Austra-lian public servant's claim of new atrocities on the island.

The Australian government, according to Chris Santos, re-fuses to recognise the Fretilin, James Hunn, a former Consul in East Timor, now a Research Director in Canberra, has revealed details of the executioo of 59 villagers allegedly by Indooesian soldiers. He also spoks of how an Australian journalist was shot while speak-Santos, whose wife and two children were allowed to en-

ing into a tape-recorder. Gordon Bryant, a former Mi-nister in Gough Whitlam's Lahour government, has made similar charges. Bryant, who



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governmeot, which has already

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ugh stand oo the Timor issue

to prevent any embarrassment to the Indonesian government, would risk getting into a new wrangle remains to he seen.

"We have been trying to see

Australian government officials,

but they refuse us all the

ter Australia as refugees, holds

to them is to put pressure on

the Indonesian government to

time," he says.

"But the relief aid continues to be handled hy the Indonesian Red Cross -- and that goes to the Timorese in Indonesian-held areas," he says.

But Chris Santos is not giv-Rennie, 28, and Brian Peters, ing up. 29 -- were killed while cover-

"I am not alone in my struggle ... many Australians are supporting us in our cause, Already the Indooesian Fore-"he says. A recent poll cooducted in Foreign Minister Andrew Peacock's electorate seems to described the oew allegations as old hat. Whether the Fraser prove his point.

> The poll in Kooyong, an aff-luent suhurb in the state of Victoria, hy Dr. Peter Lynch, a committee member of the Kooyong Committee for Timor, found that more than half of the 2,360 people interviewed were opposed to the Indonesian také-over in East Timor, Dr. Lynch claimed that 55.6 per cent of those interviewed had signed a petitioo to Peacock.

The petition urges Mr. Peacock to:

-- Continue to ensure that Australia in no circumstances recognises the Indonesian forced annexation of East Timor;

-- Cease all military aid to Indonesia until such time as its forces are withdrawn from East Timor;

- Take initiatives to ensure that the United Nations resolu-tions of East Timor are carried out.



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"Yes, I always feel close to Che. He was not a Cuban, but he fought for Cuba's liberation. I am fighting for the liberation of East Timor, but I was born in Portugal and 1 was a Portu-guese soldier."

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But Santos hastens to add: "No, I am oot comparing myself with Che ... I just admire him, he's a fine man.'

Cristovao Santos, that's his real name, was born in Southern Portugal oo November 11, 1947, His father was a telephone technician. The youngest of three sons, Chris was educated in Portugal hut missed university because "in Salazar's Portu-gal universities were only for the rich."

He became a journalist and hegan as a freelance sporting writer and later moved to the Lisboo daily Diaro De Lisbon, Early in 1969 he was called up for military service and was posted to Timor.

He moved freely with the East Timorese people and soon began to feel deeply for them. Some 500 years of colonial ru-ie had reduced the East Timorese to a hopelessly desperate people. They needed help and guidance.

Chris decided to throw in his lot with them in their struggle for independence. So, when he finished his military service he decided to make East Timor his home. He joined the government printery in Dili where he rose to become its director.

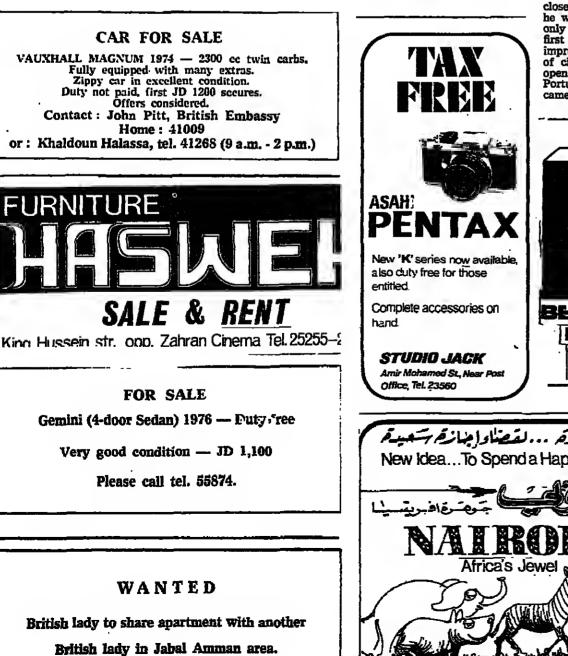


East Timorese children being trained in the use of arms at a fretelin training camp



Chris Santos : Fretelin's voice in Australia.

The ACP Sugar Group heads for -----



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The Fretilin office in Drum-Chris joined the Fretilin and mond St., Carlton, Victoria, is was soon back oo the battle lines, this time fighting the UDT. But on August II, 1975, barely furnished. A table, a few chairs, a red telephone and numerous files stacked against the walls. The walls are hare, just a map of Timor and a poster of a Fretilin freedom fighter. No photographs of Lenin, Mao Tsetung, Ho Chi Minh or even Che Guevara.

"No, I am oo Marxist, I'm more an Idealist," he says. "There are certain good things in all ideologies. I pick up what is good and try and follow those things," he says.

"Perhaps you can say I am close to Che Guevara, because he was also an idealist. I was only 15 when my brother and I first met Che in Paris. I was so impressed. He gave us a box of cigars and wanted us to open it for the revolution in Portugal. But the revolution came and went. Perhaps we'll

UDT forces staged a coup and the Fretilin retreated to the hills. Just nine days later, the Fretilin staged a counter coup and hitter fighting raged. On September 3, his Timorese wife and two children joined the stream of refugees bound for Australia. But Santos stayed on in Dili. When the Fretilin finally defeated the UDT and peace came

to East Timor, Santos left Dili to visit his family in Australia. He was expected hack in Tim-or after Christmas. But that was oot to be. Because the Indonesian invasion followed and Fretilin soldiers were once again on the run.

Chris then decided to remain in Melbourne, serving the Froot as its lone voice in Australia. The fighting goes on some 3750 km northwest of Melb-ourne ... but Chris Santos, thte unanimity on their approach ough not on the front line, is to upcoming price oegotiations still very much with his people. "Time will only tell," he with the European Economic muses. "I only hope somebody does something soon." Community for the year 1977-After a ministerial conference of the I9 concerned countries here, there was also consensus

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St. John, "a tough fight",

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Lome Convention.

The bargaining between the EEC and the ACP will be car-

the European Economic Community through the Lome Convention are about to embark on a tough fight in their 1977-78 negotiations. They are far from happy at the way the Convention is working. The political will to make it work may be there, but snags arise in the technical working out of that will.

BARBADOS, (Gemini). --guarantee the developing world the improvements in the struc-Sugar producing countries in ture of their economies and the Africa, the Caribbean and the raising of their standards of living. Only action will do that". Pacific-known as the ACP group -- have reached comple-

The Zambian delegate, H.K. Matipa, accused the EEC of creating an unfavourable climate in negotiations and of wanting "to dictate the price which they want to pay for our sugar."

Three main points emerged from the meeting, which gained unanimous backing and which will form the hrief for the ACP sugar group's negotiating team, to be headed by Guyana's Trade Minister George King. The first was that the discus-

on one point. Everyone was ag-reed that the negotiations this year would be, in the words of the conference chairman, Bar-bados' Trade Minister Bernard Ct. Lie the area detail sions with the EEC should start at what St. John termed "an early date".

ried out under the Lome Con-This is important for several vention, the treaty between the two groups signed in February 1975, and halled at the time as a major advance in economic relationships between the deve-loped and the developing world. producers, especially those in the Caribbean where the crop is reaped in the first quarter of the year and since it is vital to know before production has ended what price will be fetch-Under the terms of the Coned. Last year, the price was not finally determined until June. vention, guaranteed quotas we-re allotted to individual ACP Also to cover those countries countries which gave them colwhich harvest early in the year, lectively a market of just over 1.2 million metric tons in Eurthe ACP group will press the EEC to make the new price re-troactive to January I. Normal-ly, the price would be put into effect from July I, the start of the EEC war, but this would The price is subject to an-nual review at hilateral nego-

the EEC year, but this would mean that sugar sold before that would not benefit. tlations and it is these negotiations that the ACP sugar producers are oow preparing for. Throughout the three days of deliberations here, there was The third major decision of the conference was that rejec-.

a general air of suspicion about ting the EEC attempt to charge the EEC's attitude towards the a storage levy on ACP sugar imports. King pointed out that, St. John, in his opening ad-dress, said the developing cosuch a levy was not provided for in the sugar protocol of the Lome Convention, had never

untries were now beginning to question the value of the Con-vention. He told delegates: arisen in the initial negotiations and was not relevant to cane "Attendances at conferences, SUgar. nicely worded resolutions and King said that beet sugar signing of conventions will not produced in the EEC had to be

stored and, in that case, a letsugar producers shipped dire. to refiners in Europe witho the necessity of storage. Conference members appeal

ed annoyed by the EEC sugge tion of a storage levy and [] move to take the ACP's exce sugar -- known as Quota sugar-into account in fixing il new price. This would have the effect of depressing the overs price and St. John criticised as "an illegitimate attempt i introduce new criteria for pr

cing." The EEC Commission in Br. ssels has recently prepart new proposals for arriving the amount to be paid for AC sugar, hut these were also a sugar, but these were also a jected at the Bridgetown meet ORI ing since, according to S John, they were "inconsister with the principles set out for the the treaty". The ACP's basic stand o price is that it must be with the range of the price the EE pays to its own basit former

pays to its own beet farmer for their sugar. The new proposals would result in a price far short of that.

King foresaw a "difficult an challenging year" for the AC countries. They will be nego tiating at a time when the world price of the commodit is low and when all indication are that production will agai exceed demand.

"I don't think we should b confused by the level of th world price, however," he sai "The Lome Convention is th first positive mechanism th seeks to approach a new work economic order in a tangib way and its sugar protocol gi

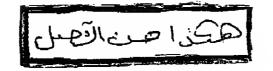
way and its sugar protocol gas es expression to that spirit. "We are approaching the matter in a spirit of give and take and negotiating not s much on strictly commercia-terms but on the guidelines se out in Longer out in Lome".

So where does the proble ile?

King said the ACP group hat always sensed a strong politica will on the part of EEC member countries to honour the Lonn Convention. It was a document of which Europe was "vay proud". The problem arises when that political will is hand ed down to officials in Brussel

for technical interpretation. and the star as against as

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GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF Chicago Tribone

However, his line of play

From the bidding, it was

possible for East to be void

in diamonds since he didn't

have much in the way of high

eards. Also, East almost

surcly had the ace of clubs for his two level overcall.

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to lose a trick in each suit

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should have planned his play

to keep West, the potential

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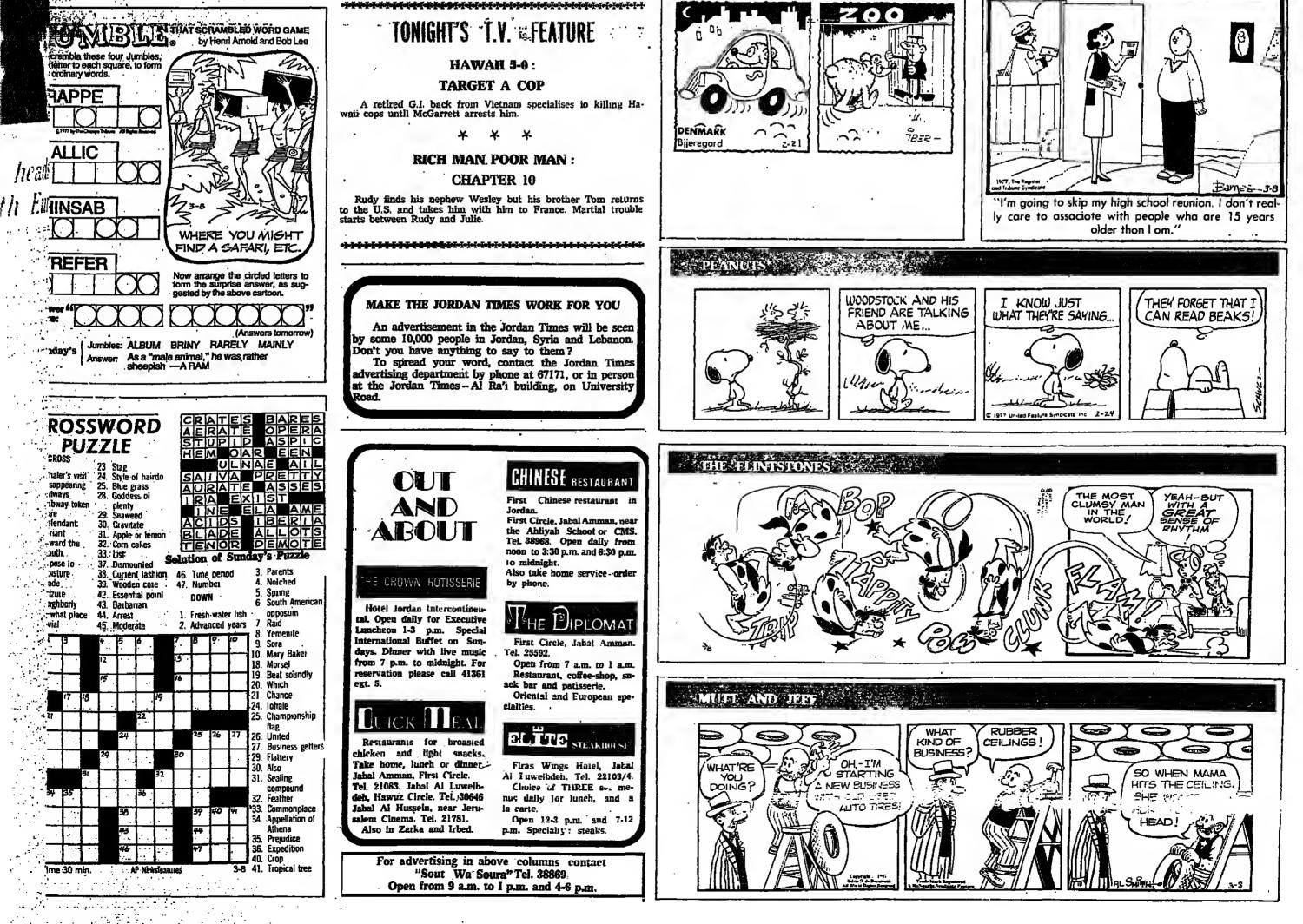
This could have been ac-Murphy's Law assures us at if somethiog bad can complished quite simplydeclarer should have allowed ppen, it will. However, we n oftimes take a simple East's queen of bearts to op that will reduce the hold the first trick. Assume ssibilities of disaster be-'ling us.

North had just enough to East continues a heart. Despond to South's opening clarer wins and ruffs his re-1. After East interposed a d of two hearts, South. cled to take the strain off

partner by bidding what low heart and followed with. thought he could make. a higher heart to the second West led a low heart and 'trick, Next, declarer plays a clarer won the queen with trump to the ace and conc ace. He was enger to take trump finesse, so he led a

amond to dummy. Un- tinues with the queen of rtunately, East ruffed, re- trumps. That protects rned a heart to West's against the possibility that og and scored a second West bas the king of trumps smood ruff. Theo he cash-

the ace of clubs to insure and East only a doubleton. me-trick defeat. To be sure, declarer sul- fenders can get more than; There is no way the deed a fate most cruel when, three tricks. r diamonds broke 5-0,





FEAR -- Most children are afraid of the doctor, some so much so that treatment proves ineffective. A research project has been launched at Eppen-dorf University Hospital in Hamburg, with a view to fin-ding out why and to fostering confidence between children and the man or woman with the stethoscope. Three conceal-ed cameras film children during consultation and footage is evaluated and made up into tra-ining films in a cutting room with five monitor screens. Children have electrodes attached to their bodies to register anxiety they may not otherwise betray. Parents and children are also given questionnaires to answer after the "ordeal" is



GENERAL TENDENCIES: Be thoughtful of others now and make sure you do nothing that can upset or disturb any present relationship. Yu have all sorts of urges to call those about you to account for conditions you do not like, but remember you are just as much at fault as they.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Know what is expected of you by others and try to please them. Be willing to clear up quarrels amicably. Reconcile with one who means much to you in a personal way. Avoid going off on a tangent.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Don't argue with a fellow worker or there could be serious trouble. Make sure you keep promises you bave made and gain goodwill.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) In your desire to have a good time be careful you do not burt or alienate others. Put useful talents to work and get good results. Avoid one who thinks negatively.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) A bothersome situation is best not bandled today when you are feeling so irate. Cool off first. A gentle attitude toward a loved one gets a problem settled satisfactorily, though.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) If you listen to what partners have to say and are not forceful with them, you can have fine accord in the future. Speak quietly. Drive carefully since others are apt to be jittery today.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Study finances and obligations and know how better to handle them and come out of the red. Listen to what an expert has to suggest, also. Invest wisely and safely. Relax tonight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Study exactly how you want your life to trend in the future and then get rid of the unwanted and replace with the belpful, Show courtesy toward everyone and you get good results. Avoid one who is detrimental to your best interests.

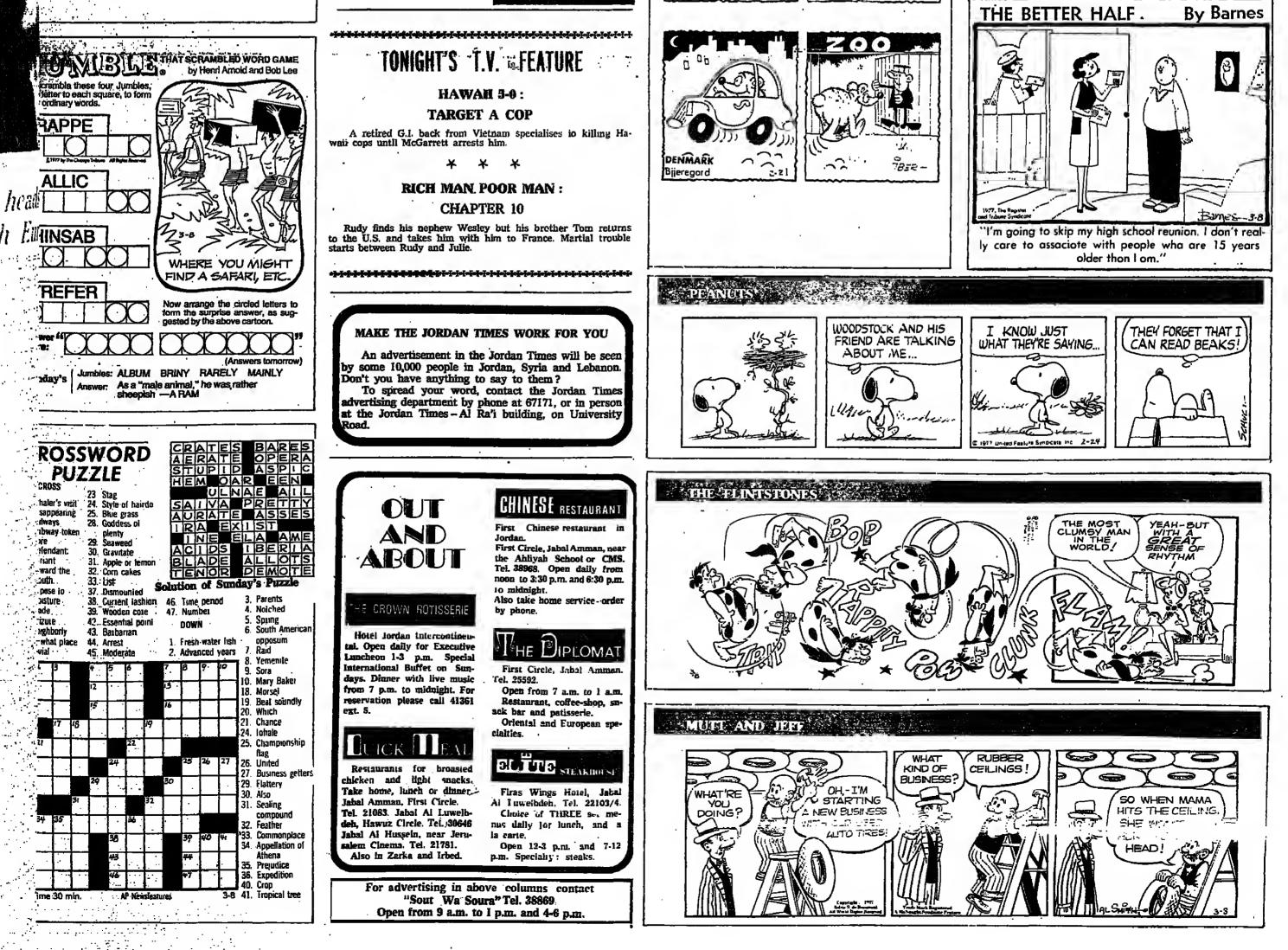
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Find the right way to handle any personal problems you may have and they are soon cleared up. Tbink objectively. Avoid any recreation that could get you into trouble.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Not a good time to be with friends you like, but fine for setting up appointments for the near future with them. Make sure you know what you want before you go ahead with plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Attend to civic tasks and they are soon behind you. Be conscientious about handling some career matter. Improve social life and be with congenials only.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You want to get away from tiresome duties, but be careful you do not get into something unsavory because you are tired. New contacts could prove to be unsatisfactory. Avoid a troublemaker.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Your intuition is not good today, so use only good judgment and make only right changes with higher-ups. Take it easy with a loved one who may be in a bad mood. Take no chances with credit.



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Zimbabwe front to be supplied with anti-aircraft weapons, says leader

ist guerrillas grouped in the Zimbabwe People's Army (ZI-PA) have won the battle on the ground and now intend to obtain sophisticated anti-aircraft weapons "to fight the rebels in the air," Mr. Robert Mugabe, joint leader of the Zimbabwe Patriotic Front said bere today. - Mr. Mugabe, who shares power with Mr. Joshua Nkomo

Britain doesn't want Amin at Commonwealth conference

LONDON, March 7 (AFP). -Britain olans to send a senior government official on a tour of Commonwealth countries in coming weeks to discuss possible ways of preventing Ugan-dan President Idi Amin coming bere for the Commonwealth prime minister's conference in June, an informed source said today.

The envoy's official job wouid Le to discuss the conference's agenda with a view to eliminating procedural prob-lems over questions such as Rhodesia, the source said.

Lord Thomson, formerly minister of commonwealth relations under Harold Wilson's

LUSAKA, Zambia, March 7 in the front, acted as ZIPA sp-(AFP). — Rhodesian National- okesman at the British-convethe Organisation of African Un-ity Ministerial Council last ned Geneva talks on Rhodesia Mr. Mugabe said the Patrilast year.

Rhodesia was now facing otle Front would discuss with "economic disaster" and Rhod-ZIPA commanders a new strategy which would require the eslan troops were no longer abls to patrol on foot, Mr. Muuse of anti-aircraft weapons against Rhodesian air superiogabe claimed. He was speaking during a stopover bere rity. en route to Maputo, Moz-ambique, after arriving from The former leader of ZANU (Zimhabwe African National Union, now integrated into the Lome, Togo, where be attended

African members.

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said.

He went on : 'I sincerely be-lieve that there is no basis for premiership might be chosen for the job, the source said. Lord Thomson is a former methe resumption of the Geneva conference. Any talks to be hember of the European Commisld must be aimed at the full transfer of political and mili-Official sources would not tary power to the black major-

ity.

confirm Lord Thomson's ap-pointment but observers point-ed to the good relations be has Mr. Mugabe added that Britain was not yet prepared to accept the front's proposals with Commonwealth leaders and his firm vlew on Rhodesia. Britain's position regarding President Amin is extremely and had actually given the impression that it wanted to for-mulate proposals it could sell difficult, observers say, since any unilateral move by Bri-tain to keep the Ugandan lead-er away from London could be to Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith. The nationalist leader said the Geneva conference had conexpected to draw unfavourable

Patriotic Front) also said the

front was rejuctant to resume

The talks were a waste of time and irrelavant to the ar-

med struggle, Mr. Mugabe said.

the Geneva talks.

centrated on irrelevant issues reactions from the rest of the Commonwealth, especially from opposed to the armed struggle which the front supported.

BUSINESS

Israeli negotiations to sell Kfir jets at "advanced stage", declares aeronautics official

TEL AVIV, March 7 (Agencies). - Negotiations for the sale of Israeli-built Kfir jet fighter-bombers to many Latin Ameri-can and other countries have reached an "advanced stage", an aeronautics industry spokesman was quoted here today as say-

The delly Maariv said the spokesman refused to identify the countries interested in buying the Kfir. The United States, which exports the engines to Israel, has vetoed sales to Ecuador.

Maariv said sales could run to several dozen aircraft.

About 500 workers demonstrated outside the U.S. Embassy here today, saying the veto was "a mortal blow to Israel's aeronautics industry" which would boost unemployment.

They handed in a letter to President Carter asking him to reconsider.

Israeli Prime Minister Yirzhak Rabin, now visiting the U.S., is expected to bring up the Kfir issue during his talks in Washington,

An industry spokesman meanwhile said that Kfir sales could net \$1.500 million, more than a third of which would go to the United States.

M.E. Swedish M.P.s have hope for peace

TEL AVIV, March 7 (R). — A group of Swedish members of parliament said today they were convinced that 1977 would show significant progress for peace in the Middle East.

"We have all agreed on this," "Mrs. Inger Lindquist, a mem-

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at the end of their weeklong visit to Israel. "Wa are hopeful for peace in 1977 because we found that Israel was open-minded, willing to compromise and had no fix-

The M.P.s, .who included aight members of the Liberal Social Democratic, Centre and Moderate Parties, were receiv-ed by Israeli President Ephraim Katzir, met Foreign Ministry officials and hed talks with Knesset members of various Israell parties.

plated a return to the hijack-

ings and spectacular acts of

violence it staged in the late

1960s and early 1970s, Dr. Ha-

basb said the organisation had

firmly dacided to stop such ope-

rations and had no intention of

resuming them even if a mini-

rael from the new boudaries?"

But Dr. Habash predicted that other groups would resort to hi-

jacking and violence outside tha

Middle East if the "doves" won

But he declined to specify

which organisations he thought

would take to the gun. The Iraql-backed rejection front is led by the PFLP and

embraces the smaller Arab Li-

beration Front, the PFLP Ge-

neral Command, and the Popu-

"Why not go on fighting Is-

state were created.

the day in Cairo,

he asked.

Liberation Forces (ELF-LPF),

told a news conference that al-though the U.S. had suspended

military aid to Ethiopia, "Israel is stepping up its military and technical aid to the Ethiopian

regime with the aim of main-

taining its domination of the

Eritrean coast and securing its

He said Israel was building a base on Fatma Island, about

50 kms, north of the Straits of

Bab Al Mandab, which links the Red See to the Gulf of Aden. Sudan, one of the Arab.7 ers of the Eritrean secen

Mr. Sabbe said most of the Eritrean guerrillas' arms came from Arab states, chiefly from Syria and Iraq, which gave mi-litary support in 1976 and this vear.

in the Red Sea basin.

"Some of the Arab states are driven to support Ethiopia, which puts them in line with Israel," he said

Libya has good relations with interests in the Straits of Bab Al Mandab."

Spain legalises gambling

MADRID, March 7 (R). — Sp-ain today legalised gambling casinos after more than 50 years, to boost tourism and the sagging economy. The step was expected to draw about \$500 million a year from abroad and help reduce the country's big balance of payments deficit.

A royal decree recognised that the ban imposed in 1924

Habash in interview: Rejection Front will break with PLO if Palestinian mini-state is created

By Bernd Debusmann

CAIRO, March 7 (R). - The four commando organisations of the Palestinian Rejection Front will continue fighting for the destruction of Israel even if the Palestinians succeed in establishing a mini-state of their

This was made clear by guerrilla leader George Habash in an interview with Reuters as preparations for the long-delayed meeting here of the Pa-lestina National Council (PNC) -- the Palestinian parliament-inexile - - were drawing to an end. At the meeting, due to open on March 12, Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) chief

Yasser Arafat and other moderates are expected to argue in favour of attending a reconvened Geneva Middle East peace conference and to press for the establishment of a Palestinian mini-state alongside Israel. If such a decision were taken

lar Struggle Front. All four are by the PNC, Dr. Hahash said, his Popular Front for the Libeopposed to any peaceful settle-ment of the Middle East con-

criticism.

president.

the executive mansion.

The president, who sipped

hot tes from time to time and

advised Americans to drink less coffee, said at the end of the programme broadcast over

the CBS radio network he had

flict and insist on the establish-ment of a secular state in all of ration of Palestine (PFLP) and the three other Rejection Front groups would break away from former mandate Palestine. the PLO and go it alone. Asked if the PFLP contem-

This concept which implies the disappearance of Israel, a state based on religion, is enshrined in the Palestine National Charter. Israal has said it would refuse to believe that opinion in the PLO had swing to moderation unless the charter were changed.

Dr. Habasb implied that the bulk of Rejection Front fighters now remaining in Lebanon would be withdrawn to infiltrate into Israel and step up actions against the government there. "Wa have to be in Galilee, in Gaza, in the West Bank, in south Lebanon, in the Go-lan. We have to infiltrate all our Palestinian fighters," Dr. Habash said.

"We want to put all our fighters into Palestine", be ad-ded. Dr. Habash disagrees with Israel's assessment of the PFLP as a "gang of terrorists and murderers.

"We believe that we are the real peace forces in this part of the world," be said. Of 9 million calls Carter answers 42

"Tha schemes put forward: (U.S. Secretary of State Ch Vance and his predect (Henry) Kissinger are mi

Aspirin tablets," he said." They are no real solution tha problem. A real solt will be a democratic Pale ::-ian state where everybody :- ... live in peace," he said."

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Algeria; South Yemen, Somalia, though not likely give direct support, would least be understanding, be Asked if he thought that sympathy could eventually 500 into military, financial, and litical backing, Dr. Habash

iled: "I hope so. We have to" ruggle for this. I think the

three countries will say"right, as long as there are ces who want to continue the fight against Israel, we can be but with them."

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with his navy mentor, Admin-

Hyman Rickover. To a questioner concer. about the possible abuse taxpayers' money, he explain

that two of his sons and ti-

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"We're not mooching off American taxpayers," he sal

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karat., but noted he had br

en his right collar bone with the training in karate during in service in tha navy.

The final question came france an 11-year-old who wanted

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Concorde's landing rights at New York airport are now summit issue, says French minister

PARIS, March 7 (AFP). — The use of New York's Kennedy Airport by the Anglo-French supersonic Concorde has become a summit issue, the Transport Secretary French Marcel Cavaille said after discussion here today with President Vaiery Giscard d' Estaing.

He refused to speculate on French reaction if New York Port Authority rejects the 16month trial period for Concorde which the U.S. federal government has recommended.

The authority is due to an-

Mr. Cavaille said the presi-dent recalled that he had twice telephoned President Jimmy Egypt asks for Carter to discuss Concorde, and added "the problem is at the summit. All has been done so £1b in aid trom the highest American authorities are aware of the importanca France attaches to the

nounce its decision on Thurs- British Premier James Callagday. The use of Kennedy Airport is regarded as vital to Concorde's future.

Today's hour-long meeting was also attended by the mayor of Toulouse, the southern city where the French side of the joint aeronautical venture is based. Mayor Pierre Baudis later told journalists: "It is inconceivable that the 16-month period be refused." It would create "a delicate situation" for

han flies to Washington aboard Concorde tomorrow for talks with Mr. Carter. In London today, a Foreign

Office spokesman said "our views are the same as those of the French." Foreign Secretary David Owen had discussed Mr. Cal-laghan's trip with the U.S. charge d'affaires and the spokesman said American officials employment in Toulouse he

were aware that Britain regarded that the port authority's decision as of "major political and economic importance." In Brussels, the EEC Com-

missioner for Industrial Affairs, Etienne Davignon, said "the Concorde situation is unpleasant." But he said the EEC as such

had made no representations to the U.S. authorities. four additional landings would

means existed to obtain the

rights, be said. We would go before tha judicial authorities who, I bope,

would take into account our arguments," be ssid. M. de Guiringaud was asked

whether the French government, by speaking out as it has done recently, had not overplayed its hand. He said he did not believe this had happened.

"It was important to make the responsible authority understand that the arguments of the environmentalists bave not managed to convince French public, opinion," M. de Gulrin-gaud declared. He said be was astonished

that attemps were being made to bar Concorde because of the noise made by the aircraft. One thousand aircraft landed daily

Asked whether France's de-

cision in January to free Pa-

lestinian commando lesder Ahu

Dawud influenced the question

of Concorde's landing rights, the French foreign minister said

It was important not to exag-

gerate the impact of the Ahu Dawud affair, which touched off world-wide protests.

The question of Concorde's landing rights had been discus-

sed for a long time, he noted. "It is not impossible that some

persons were influenced by 'be

Abu Dawud affair. But this is

not decisive," he concluded.

change nothing."

her of the Moderata Party, said

ed preconditions about nego-tiations," she added.

Israel reportedly backs Ethiopia against Eritreans been accused by President BEIRUT, March 7 (R). - An Eritrean guerrilla group spok-

esman said here today that Isreel is stepping up military and technical aid to Ethiopia to help it crush the Eritrean rebellion. Mr. Osman Sahbe of the Eritrean Liberation Front-People's

Mr. Sabbe said there was an international struggle for power

the source of his informal Mr. Sabbe said the Arab summit conference opened today in Cairo al intervene immediately and Ethiopia to withdraw from

the Marxist rulers in Addis Ababa, and both countries have

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said. He gave no details i

Somalia had moved to.

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Arab oil states

KUWAIT, March 7 (R). Egypt has asked its richer Arah oil-producing neighbours for one billion Egyptian pounds (same sterling) cash to help overcome its economic difficulties, two newspapers reported bere today.

The newspapers Al Watan and Al Anba' said Kuwait had been officially approached, and the issue raised at a cabinet meeting here yesterday. No final decision was taken.

Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) planned talks to reach a unified stand on possible aid, they added.

dent and said the future of Concorde was "not in my cont-rol at ail." Air France at present runs a supersonic Paris-Rio de Janeiro service and British Airways

serves the Gulf from London. Mr. Cavaille said the two count-rles "fought together" to win the landing rights in New York which could give the controver-sial Concordc project the kiss of life. Britain has refused to go on with production until more firm export orders come

in Mr. Cavaille pointed out that

decision" (of the port authori-

French Foreign Minister Lou-is de Guiringaud said yesterday that French public opinion will not understand if New York's ty). Mr. Carter reminded a caller broadduring his nationwide broadcast telephone-in Saturday that Port Authority refuses to grant the port authority was indepenthe concorde landing rights at

Kennedy Airport. "Public opinion would not understand why the Port Au-thority of New York did not conform to the federal decision and why tha federal governmant was not able to have this decision implemented". If Concorde was rebufied at New York, M. de Guiringaud

declared, France would seek to obtain landing rights through the American courts. Legal

Record oil output expected this year, U.S. journal says

TULSA. Oklahoma, March 7 members of the Organisation of (AFP). - World oil output will Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), as well as from the probably reach a new record North Sea and Alaska. The Soviet Union would level this year, the magazine Oil and Gas Journal said bere.

Production last year rose 7.9 doubtless maintain its position per cent to a new high of 57, as the world's lesding oil producer, it said, recalling that the U.S. last year dropped back to third position with Saudi Ara-300,000 harrels a day, it noted. Non-Communist output should this year increase 4 or 5 per cent, the magazine said bia in second place. quoting industry officials hera. This rise would mainly stem from increased extraction by

Production by Middle East countries was 49 per cent of the non-Communist total.

questions in White House phone-in WASHINGTON, March 7 (R). President Carter sat in the use reporters, watching on cl-osed-circuit television in tha press room, saying the ques-tions were more interesting White House for two bours Saturday and spoke with Ame-ricans around the country who phoned in questions, praisa and

and challenging than they put to him at news conferences. The programme, called "Ask President Carter", produced no new revelations of administra-Sitting in an easy chair in front of the fireplace in the Oval Offition policy and turned mainly into a vehicle for Americans to cs, the president took 42 calls in the first-ever radio question-and-answer session held by a discuss their problems, aome of them personal, with him.

Tha callers asked about Ugande, Cuba, couplas living in sin, the higb price of coffee, karate, the Concorde superso-But Mr. Carter spoke of a telephone call on Friday from telephone call on Friday from French President Valery Gis-card d'Estaing about landing rights for the Anglo-French Concorde airliner, his willing-ness to open talks with Cuba on normalising relations, and the safety of Americans in Ug-anda nic airliner and a score of other things on their minda. He was relaxed throughout, speaking easily and laughing as he talked to those lucky enough to get through on a special 20-line telephone bank direct to

anda. Many callers reached the White House on the special toll-free line, but only 42 man-aged to speak to Mr. Carter. Veteran CBS broadcaster Waltre Cronkite, who acted as moderator and sat near the presi-dent, asked five of his own

enjoyed the experience and would like to do it again. He took a dig at White Hoquestions, The American Telephone and Telegraph Company said it was

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

PARIS, March 7 (AFP). - Portuguese Prime Minister Mario Soares and French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing had a working luncheon" at the Elysee Palace bere today. Mr. Soares narrived bare last night on the first leg of a new European tour pleading the cause of Portugal's membership of the European Economic Community.

PIO DE JANEIRO, March 7 (AFP) — Brazil and Argentina, ha-ving rejected all U.S. military ald in protest at criticism of thair record on human rights, will turn to Western Europe for arms supplies, military observers said here today.

ANILA, March 7 (AFP). - The Philippine Martial law regima M moved today to prevent a renawal of fighting in the Moslem south following the break-up of Tripoli peace talks on ending four years of Moslem reballion. Reports from Mindanao Island, south-ern Philippines, said Southern Military Commander Rear Admiral Romulo Espaidon and a senior official of the rebel Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) were to meet at an undisclosed place today to work out an extended ceasefire agreement.

WEST BERLIN, March 7 (R). — The former U.S. military com-mandant at Berlin's Spandau Jail appealed to President Jimmy Carter Saturday to release the prison's only inmate, former Nazi leader Rudolf Hess. Col. Eugene Bird told Mr. Carter in a cable that, after Herr Hess' third suicide attempt, a reprive for the 82-year-old former Nazi "would be regarded in Germany and the entire civilised world as a sign of burnanity."

ROME, March 7 (AFP). - Rome University was closed again temporarily today after deans of reveral faculties voiced con-It temporarily today after deans of reveral faculties voiced con-cern for the safety of lecturers and other staff following riots on Ssturday. The university will remain closed for about five or six days. Entrances to faculties are guarded by the police. Rioting last Ssturday night began after several thousand students gathered at the university to protest against a nine-year prison sentence hand-ed down to leftwing militant Fabrizio Panzieri in connection with the murder of a rightwing student a year ago,

estimated over nine million attemp.s were made to phone the president, but some callers obviously dialled more than once.

Near the Oval Office was a CBS producer with his finger poised over a silver button ready to delete any obscenity or rudeness. For that reason, the transmission ran seven seconds behind the actual conversati-

Every caller was polite and extremely friendly, and no ona had to be cut off.

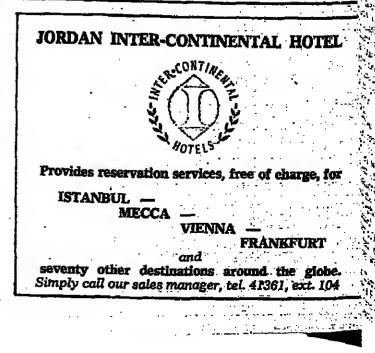
The president was criticised by three callers who objected to his pardon for draft dodgers during the Vletnam war, but many others praised him for his performance in the White House and wished him luck.

One man complained his bome telephone had almost the sama number as that for the presidential phone-in and said he had been receiving calls fr-om six o'clock in the morning, eight hours before the presi-

dent's show began. The first question dealt with Uganda and gave Mr. Carter an opportunity to explain how he defused the crisis over President Idi Amin's now-cancell-

ed order barring Americans from leaving his country. Mr. Carter, who said he knew about the "unpredictabiknew about the "unpredictaol-lity of Mr. Idi Amin" declared that he dealt quietly with the Ugandan leader and was ald-ed by other governments. Asked if he would like to fly

in a space shuttle he said, "notme", because at 52 he was too old. But be thought his nineyear-old daughter Amy would



WALL STREET REPORT

Prices edged up a small gain Monday on the New York stock, exchange where the industrial average gained more than one point. The trading pace was moderate.

The session opened on an upward trend after the publication. last Friday, of an optimistic report on investment intentions by American firms by the "Conference Board", a private organisation of economic research.

Advances outnumbered losers at the close by a 787 to 614 margin. Alrlines and computers were down. Among oils, Mobil lost 1/4 at 67.5.

At the close, the industrial average shows at 955.12, a gain of 1.66 points : Transp at 107.74, a gain of 0.51; utilities at 311.22, a gain of 0.38. 17,410,000 shares changed hands, of which 3,190,000 during the last hour.

LONDON MARKET REPORT

The market Monday closed quietly mixed. An earlier easier tendency was arrested after the February wolesale index which showed only a moderate rise against the previous figure, dealers said. At 15:00 the F.T. index was down 0.7 at 407.2.

Long-dated government bonds finished 1/4 up, baving been that much lower initially. Near-shorts were up to 1/8 easier. Equity leaders ended steady to mixed.

Golds were higher with the bullion price but trading interest waned after the small initial flurry.

Shell finished 6p up on support ahead of results due Thurs-day. Other oils gained between 2p and 3p apart from B.P. which ended unchanged.

Industrials were mixed and up to 4p eitherway while banks declined between 3p and 7p.

De Beers finished 7p up in front of results due Tuesday while Turned and Newall gained 2p also on expected results.

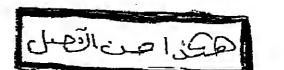
Price of gold closed in London Monday at \$148.30/oz.

for oil countries imports but it eaid their exports were up 20 per cent to \$130,700 million. Countries recording the best improvements were Saudi Arabia and Iran. The fund also reported that world monetary reserves rose nearly \$29,000 million lest year, account being taken of the fund's 128 members plus Swit-zerland. The new total at the end of the year was 219,348 million Special Drawing Rights (SDRS). Reserves of industrial countries rose 9,370 million SDRS to reach 113,482 million. Those of deve-

loping countries went up 8,000 million SDRS to 34,525 million. The increase by the oil countries was 7,263 million SDRS to a new figure of 55,528 million. The IMF noted that industrial countries now have only half the total reserves as against two-thirds at the start of this decade.

ABU DHABI, March 7 (R). — Abu Dhabi International Airport Awill be open for 24 bours a day from March 31, it was announc-ed here today. Since January, the airport has been closed daily for seven bours from midday for repairs to the runway and expansion work. Nineteen international airlines use Abu Dhabi airport.

BRUSSELS, March 7 (AFP). — Sweden and the European Eco-nomic Community (EEC) have concluded a long-term "frame-work agreement" on fishing, it was announced here today. The agreement, concluded last Friday should allow balanced fishing by Sweden and the EEC in zones of mutual interest, tha announcement said.



ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AFP). — Imports by industrial nations rose 15 per cent last year and exports 11 per cent, the Inter-national Monetary Fund (IMF) reported. Their imports came to \$630,340 million and their exports were \$596,460 million. Largest